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For: HOP ACIDS AS AN ANTIMICROBIAL
AGENT FOR USE IN FOOD PROCESSING
FACILITY

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**AMENDMENT AND REMARKS IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 8, 2007, please enter for consideration the comments herein with the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith for the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows (total of 8 pages). Also filed herewith is a Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time and the requisite fee based on small entity status.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.